REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated December 28, 2010.

Claims 17-28, 35-43 and 45-49 are pending.

By this paper, claim 18 has been amended, and claims 17, 25-28, and 49 are canceled.

No new matter has been added.

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 18-24, 35-43, and 45-48 will remain pending in the instant application.

Specification

The specification was objected to under 35 U.S.C. 132(a) and the Examiner has required removal of the material added by the prior amendment.

Although Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's objection, Applicant has deleted the material objected to by the Examiner.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112

Claim 49 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Examiner asserts that the claimed system being required to only have a single washer fluid flow path is not detailed in the Specification and is therefore new matter.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's assertion that claim 49 contains new matter. However, in the spirit of cooperation and to put the instant application in condition for allowance, Applicant has canceled claim 49, thereby rendering moot the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 35-43 and 45-48 have been allowed. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication that these claims are allowable.

Claims 18-24 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner indicated these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, and overcoming the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection.

Applicant has rewritten claim 18 in independent form by incorporating all the limitations of base claim 17. Accordingly, claim 17 has been canceled. Applicant has further amended claim 18 to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 18, as amended, is in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejections applied to claim 18 is respectfully solicited.

Claims 19-24 depend directly or indirectly from claim 18, as amended, and accordingly incorporate all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims from which they depend. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits claims 19-24 are also in condition for allowance at least for the reason that each depends directly or indirectly from an allowable base claim. Withdrawal of the rejections applied to claims 19-24 is respectfully solicited.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing, claims 18-24, 35-43, and 45-48 remain pending in the instant application. All pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt passage to allowance is respectfully solicited.

No new matter has been added by this paper.

Applicant has amended the instant application solely for the purpose of advancing the prosecution and to obtain allowance at the earliest possible date. Accordingly, no admission may be inferred from these amendments. Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in the future.

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No fee is believed necessary for the filing of this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 061910 for any required fees or underpayments, and to credit the same for any overpayments.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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